

## PAIN SIGNALING MOLECULES

### Abstract of the Disclosure

The invention relates generally to novel genes expressed in normal but not *Neurogenin-1*-deficient animals. The invention relates specifically to a novel family of G protein-coupled receptors and a novel family of two-transmembrane segment proteins that are expressed in dorsal root ganglia, and a method of screening for genes specifically expressed in nociceptive sensory neurons.

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